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SUBJECT: TARAPUR FUEL STORAGE

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1. GREATLY AIDED BY REFTELS, I MET AT NOON TODAY WITH V. SHANKAR ON THE MISUNDERSTANDING ENGENDERED IN THE PRESS HERE BY THE PRIME MINISTER'S RESPONSE ON AMERICAN RESPONSIBILITY FOR TARAPUR'S SPENT FUEL.

2. THE ISSUE WAS A FRESH ONE FOR SHANKAR. AFTER HEARING ME OUT, HE TALKED BY PHONE WITH DR. SETHNA IN BOMBAY. SETHNA CONFIRMED THE LACK OF A U.S. CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATION AND THE FACT OF US COLLABORATION IN FINDING A SOLUTION TO THE STORAGE PROBLEM. SHANKAR ASKED SETHNA TO SEND HIM A TELEX SUMMARIZING THE FACTS WHICH HE, SHANKAR, COULD USE IN TALKING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER. SHANKAR FURTHER SAID TO ME THAT HE THOUGHT THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD BE ABLE TO FIND A WAY TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT PUBLICLY, PERHAPS BY MAKING ANOTHER STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT.

3. TEXT OF TALKING PAPER LEFT WITH SHANKAR IS BEING SENT BY POUCH TO WASHINGTON AND BOMBAY.

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